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(U.S. 4,954,325)

Relates to a composition of synthetic porous crystalline material, its synthesis and use.

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AB (U.S. 4,992,606)	Relates to process for preparing short chain alkyl aromatic compounds.
AC (U.S. 5,077,445)	Relates to liquid phase alkylbenzene synthesis using hydrated catalyst.
AD (U.S. 5,334,795)	Relates to production of ethylbenzene.
AE (U.S. 5,900,520)	Relates to aromatics alkylation.
AF (U.S. 5,250,277)	Relates to crystalline oxide material.
AG (U.S. 5,292,698)	Relates to catalyst comprising MCM-36.
AH (U.S. 5,258,565)	Relates to a process for preparing short chain alkylaromatic compounds.
AI (U.S. 5,236,575)	Relates to synthetic porous crystalline MCM-49, its synthesis and use.
AJ (U.S. 5,493,065)	Relates to liquid phase ethylbenzene synthesis with MCM-49.
AK (U.S. 5,371,310)	Relates to process for preparing short chain alkyl aromatic compounds.
AL (U.S. 5,362,697)	Relates to synthetic layered MCM-56, its synthesis and use.
AM (U.S. 5,453,554)	Relates to process for preparing short chain alkyl aromatic compounds.
AN (U.S. 5,536,894)	Relates to MCM-56 as sorbent and catalyst component.
AO (U.S. 5,557,024)	Relates to process for preparing short chain alkyl aromatic compounds.

AP (U.S. 6,051,521)	Relates to method of producing an aromatic
, , ,	alkylation catalyst.
AQ (U.S. 5,437,855)	Relates to synthetic porous crystalline MCM-58, its synthesis and use.
AR (U.S. 5,569,805)	Relates to catalytic conversion of aromatic compounds.
AS (U.S. 6,049,018)	Relates to synthetic porous crystalline MCM-68, its synthesis and use.
AT (U.S. 5,563,311)	Relates to process for preparing short chain alkyl aromatic compounds.
AU (U.S. 5,081,323)	Relates to liquid phase alkylation or transalkylation process using zeolite beta.
AV (U.S. 5,160,497)	Relates to phenol production process.
AW (U.S. 5,240,889)	Relates to hydrated alkylation catalyst.
AX (U.S. 5,030,786)	Relates to liquid phase aromatic conversion process.
AY (U.S. 5,980,859)	Relates to modified zeolite beta processes for preparation.
AZ (U.S. 5,522,984)	Relates to modified zeolite beta, processes for preparation and use thereof.
BA (U.S. 5,672,799)	Relates to process for the preparation of cumene.
BB (U.S. 5,907,073)	Relates to aromatic alkylation process.
BC (U.S. 6,162,416)	Relates to zeolite beta and its use in aromatic alkylation.

BD (U.S. 5,198,595)	Relates to alkylation of aromatic compounds.
BE (U.S. 5,689,025)	Relates to ethylbenzene production process with ex situ selectivated zeolite catalyst.
BF (U.S. 5,157,185)	Relates to alkylation of aromatics.
BG (U.S. 3,751,504)	Relates to vapor-phase alkylation in presence of crystalline aluminosilicate catalyst with separate transalkylation.
BH (U.S. 4,547,605)	Relates to catalyst for alkylation of aromatic hydrocarbons.
BI (U.S. 4,016,218)	Relates to alkylation in presence of thermally modified crystalline aluminosilicate catalyst.
BJ (U.S. 4,169,111)	Relates to manufacture of ethylbenzene.
BK (U.S. 4,459,426)	Relates to liquid-phase alkylation and transalkylation process.
BL (U.S. 5,021,141)	Relates to synthesis of crystalline ZSM-12 type structure.
BM (U.S. 5,430,211)	Relates to process of preparing ethylbenzene or substituted derivatives thereof.
BN (U.S. 4,891,458)	Relates to liquid phase alkylation or transalkylation process using zeolite beta.
BO (U.S. 6,060,632)	Relates to process for producing ethylbenzene.
BP (U.S. 4,849,569)	Relates to alkylation of organic aromatic compounds.

BQ (U.S. 4,950,834)	Relates to alkylation of organic aromatic compounds in a dual bed system.
BR (U.S. 5,086,193)	Relates to aromatic alkylation process.
BS (U.S. 5,113,031)	Relates to aromatic alkylation process.
BT (U.S. 5,215,725)	Relates to aromatic alkylation process.
BU (U.S. 5,902,917)	Relates to alkylaromatics production.
BV (U.S. 6,096,935)	Relates to production of alkyl aromatics by passing transalkylation effluent to alkylation zone.
BW (U.S. 6,232,515)	Relates to production of ethyl aromatics by passing portions of transalkylation effluent to a multi-bed alkylation zone.
BX (U.S. 6,281,399)	Relates to production of isopropyl aromatics by passing portions of transalkylation effluent to a multi-bed alkylation zone.
BY (U.S. 6,313,362)	Relates to aromatic alkylation process.
BZ (U.S. 6,479,721)	Relates to alkylation process operating at low olefin ratios.
CA (U.S. 4,086,287)	Relates to selective ethylation of mono alkyl benzenes.
CB (U.S. 4,104,319)	Relates to ethylation of mono alkyl benzene.
CC (U.S. 4,143,084)	Relates to di-alkylbenzene isomer mixtures.
CD (U.S. 4,982,030)	Relates to process for preparation of paradivinylbenzene.

CE (U.S. 4,100,217)	Relates to selective production of para-substituted benzenes.
CF (U.S. 4,117,020)	Relates to method of producing valuable alkylated aromatic hydrocarbons from tar.
CG (U.S. 5,530,170)	Relates to ethylbenzene alkylation with ethylene to produce para-diethylbenzene.
CH (U.S. 5,811,613)	Relates to process for the production of paradiethylbenzene.
CI (U.S. 4,822,943)	Relates to production of para-diisopropylene.
CJ (U.S. 5,004,841)	Relates to alkylation of aromatic compounds to alkylates enriched in the linear-substituted isomers.
CK (U.S. 5,175,135)	Relates to alkylation of aromatic compounds to alkylates enriched in the linear substituted isomers.
CL (U.S. 3,851,004)	Relates to hydrocarbon alkylation process using catalyst regeneration.
CM (U.S. 4,049,739)	Relates to simulated moving bed alkylation process.
CN (U.S. 4,857,666)	Relates to alkylation/transalkylation process.
CO (U.S. 4,908,341)	Relates to method for reactivating spent catalyst by contact with one or more aromatic compounds.
CP (U.S. 5,012,021)	Relates to process for the production of alkylaromatic hydrocarbons using solid catalysts.
CQ (U.S. 5,118,897)	Relates to reactivation of alkylation catalysts.

CR (U.S. 5,146,026) Relates to alkylation of aromatic hydrocarbons in fixed bed catalytic process. **CS** (U.S. 5,212,128) Relates to method for recovering or maintaining the activity of hydroisomerization catalysts. CT(U.S. 5,306,681) Relates to method for recovery or maintaining the activity of hydroisomerization catalysts. CU (U.S. 6,525,234) Relates to process for liquid phase aromatics alkylation comprising in-situ catalyst reactivation with polar compounds. DA (EP 0 353 813) Relates to alkylation of aromatic hydrocarbons in a fixed bed catalytic process. DB (EP 0 467 007) Relates to transalkylation process. DC (WO 03/006160) Relates to reactivation of aromatics alkylation. catalysts. (WO 02/062734) Relates to production of alkylaromatic compounds. Relates to regeneration of aromatic alkylation (WO 01/83408) catalysts using hydrocarbon stripping. DF (WO 02/26671) Relates to maximizing meta-isomers in the

mixture.

DG

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production of dialkylbenzene compounds.

Relates to preparation of dialkylbenzene isomeric

It is respectfully requested that this art be considered by the Examiner in the above-entitled application and made of record therein. Copies of non-United States prior art references are enclosed. It is believed that no fee is required for submission of this Information Disclosure Statement under 37 C.F.R. §1.97(b). However, if a fee is due, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 08-1540.

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